

At the Regular Meeting of the Greenville County Board of Supervisors, held on Monday, April 16, 2012, with Closed Session beginning at 3:00 P.M. and Regular Session beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Greenville County Government Building, 1781 Greenville County Circle, Emporia, Virginia.

Present: Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman
Michael W. Ferguson, Vice-Chairman
James C. Vaughan
Dr. Margaret T. Lee

Chairman Wiley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

In Re: Closed Session

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, stated that Staff recommended the Board go into Closed Session, Section 2.2-3711 (a) 1) Personnel, 3) Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property, 5) Industrial Development and 7) Legal Matters.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to go into Closed Session, as recommended by Staff. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Regular Session

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to go into Regular Session. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Certification of Closed Meeting – Resolution #12-127

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to adopt the following Resolution. A roll call vote was taken, as follows: Supervisor Ferguson, aye; Supervisor Lee, aye; Supervisor Vaughan, aye; and Chairman Wiley, aye.

**RESOLUTION #12-127
CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Greenville County Board of Supervisors.

Chairman Wiley recessed the meeting.

Chairman Wiley reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m., at which time she led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation. She then welcomed everyone for attending, especially the Girl Scout Troops.

In Re: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Whittington, County Administrator, stated that Staff recommended approval of the Agenda with no added items.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Approval of Consent Agenda

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda.

Supervisor Lee moved, seconded by Supervisor Ferguson, to approve the Consent Agenda containing the following items. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

Minutes from the Meeting of April, 2, 2012

Budgetary Matters

Budgetary Matters consisting of the following: Fund #001 – Journal Voucher #74, in the amount of \$26,180.00 and Budget Amendment Resolution #128, in the amount of \$25,000.00, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Warrants:

Approval of Accounts Payable for April 16, 2012, in the amount of \$242,064.67.

In Re: Citizens Comments

Mr. Whittington invited anyone present who wished to address the Supervisors, to come forward and state their name for the record. There was no one.

In Re: Public Hearing

Mr. Whittington recommended that the Board of Supervisors go into Public Hearing to solicit public comments regarding the Proposed Secondary Six-Year Road Plan

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to go into Public Hearing. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Proposed Secondary Six-Year Road Plan

Mr. Lin Pope, Director of Planning, addressed the Board of Supervisors and introduced Mr. Joe Lomax, Franklin's Residency Administrator. Mr. Lomax came forward and stated that the District Project Investment Manager was present instead of Sonya Hallums-Ponton, Program Manager, due to death in the family. He stated that Mr. Stephen Rowan was available to answer any questions in regards to the Six-Year Plan.

Mr. Lomax also stated that Mr. Kevin Gun was now the full-time permanent Superintendent in the Emporia area district.

Supervisor Ferguson asked if there was a possibility after July 1, 2012, that phone contact would be available with the local officers. Mr. Lomax stated that the company was in the process of reorganization but had not heard anything about that issue as of yet.

Chairman Wiley asked about the loose rocks on Wyatt's Mill Road because she had received some complaints. Mr. Lomax stated that he had driven the road all the way down and that surface treatment was something that had been done for many years and that there would be loose gravel until it settled. He stated that he would ask the sweepers to go back out and sweep the edges of the road until it became secured.

Supervisor Ferguson asked what was going to be done about potholes on the secondary roads. Mr. Lomax stated that contractors along with Kevin were working on the potholes. He stated that VDOT was short of Staff which was taking things longer to handle, but they would be riding around fixing the potholes and that the citizens needed to also call to let them know of the ones they may have missed.

Mr. Pope then gave a brief presentation of the Proposed Secondary Six- Year Road Plan stating that estimated program allocations totaled \$228,540; the current six-year plan projects included Route 633; Independence Church Road and Route 602 Quarrel Road with a completion date of August 1, 2012. Mr. Pope stated that Quarrel Road was on the unpaved road priority list which estimated to be about \$96,425. He then gave the projects listed on the secondary six-year plan priority list.

Mr. Rowan addressed the Board stating that a new copy of the plan was provided to Mr. Pope at the beginning of the meeting. He stated that Route 633 had a surplus that could be transferred to the next priority on the list which was Rt. 619 Otterdam Road. He stated that the project was in need of an additional \$71,000 and recommended that the Board transfer the \$71,000 from the Independence Church Road project and put it on the Otterdam Road Project. Chairman Wiley stated that it was critical to finish the Otterdam Road Project due to the Mega Site property. Mr. Rowan stated that with the deficit on Independence Church Road in the amount of \$3,290,000, would take completing the project a long time. Mr. Pope stated that Iluka may help with some of the funding for Independence Church Road.

Mr. Lomax stated that he had an issue with Route 633 being that it was dangerous with the big trucks traveling the road while the men were working. He stated that the big issue was the log trucks going through and was requesting that Mr. Ferguson meet with Mr. Bay and Mr. James Pott, Construction Managers, to discuss a detour for trucks so that the job could be done. He also stated that the detour may be longer than planned. Mr. Lomax stated that he would recommend a detour for everyone and allow people who lived in that area to get back and forth until they finish with the critical areas. Mr. Ferguson asked that the representatives contact him to set up a meeting.

Chairman Wiley asked if the hill on Doodlum Road would be cut down leading to the fox pen. Mr. Lomax stated that it would have to be done by a contractor and he would have Kevin and someone else work on it because he did not want to see a repeat of what happened on Rt. 608. He stated that a lot of people lost their jobs so he would have to try and find experienced people to run the big equipment.

Supervisor Ferguson asked what happened with the project on Rt. 604. Mr. Lomax stated that a lot of utility work had to be done and the work was too involved. He stated that the funds were not available to pursue the project to relocate the underground utilities, telephone poles, etc. Supervisor Ferguson asked that VDOT revisit the project again.

In Re: Regular Session

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff recommended the Supervisors return to Regular Session.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to return to Regular Session. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Resolution #12-114

Mr. Whittington stated that Staff requested approval to transfer funds from the Independence Church Road project to the Otterdam Road Project and approval of the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION #12-114
SIX-YEAR PLAN**

WHEREAS, Sections 33.1-23 and 33.1-23.4 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, provides the opportunity for each county to work with the Virginia Department of Transportation in developing a Secondary Six-Year Road Plan; and

WHEREAS, this Board had previously agreed to assist in the preparation of this Plan, in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation policies and procedures, and participated in a public hearing on the proposed Plan (2013 through 2018) as well as the Construction Priority List (2013/2018) on April 16, 2012 after duly advertised so that all citizens of the County had the opportunity to participate in said hearing and to make comments and recommendations concerning the proposed Plan and Priority List; and

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Lomax II, Franklin Residency Administrator, Virginia Department of Transportation, appeared before the Board and recommended approval of the Six-Year Plan for Secondary Road (2013 through 2018) and the Construction Priority List (2013/2018) for Greenville County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that since said Plan appears to be in the best interests of the Secondary Road System in Greenville County and of the citizens residing on the Secondary System, said Secondary Six-Year Plan (2013 through 2018) and Construction Priority List (2013/2018) are hereby approved as presented at the public hearing.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Vaughan, to approve the transfer request and Resolution #12-114. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Celebration of 100 Years of Girl Scouts, Resolution #12-129

The Girl Scout Troops were asked to come forward and pictures were taken. Mrs. Parson then read the following Resolution into record and stated that Staff recommended approval.

**RESOLUTION #12-129
RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH YEAR OF GIRL SCOUTS
MARCH, 2012**

WHEREAS, March 12, 2012 marks the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, which began in 1912 when Savannah Georgia native, Juliette “Daisy” Low, gathered eighteen girls to provide them with the opportunity to develop physically, mentally and spiritually; and

WHEREAS, throughout its distinguished history, Girl Scouting has inspired millions of girls and women with the highest ideals of courage, confidence, and character; and

WHEREAS, through the Girl Scout leadership experience girls develop the skills and lessons that will serve them a lifetime so that they may contribute to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting takes an active role in increasing girls’ awareness of the opportunities available to them today in math, science, sports, technology and other fields that can expand their horizons; and

WHEREAS, more than three million current Girl Scout members nationwide will be celebrating 100 years of this American tradition, with nearly fifty million women who are former Girl Scouts and living proof of the impact of this amazing Movement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the 100th year of Girl Scouts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby applaud the commitment Girl Scouting has made to support the leadership development of girls in Greenville County and elsewhere.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to approve Resolution #12-129. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: Request for Funding from Chowan River Basin Flood Taskforce

Mr. Whittington stated that the Mayor Franklin, James P. Councill, III, forwarded a letter to the County stating that the weather service had agreed to put in four rainfall gages recommended to be strategically installed and purchased 100% of the cost by the weather service. He stated that weather service was asking the localities to pay for the operation and the maintenance of the rainfall gages. Mr. Whittington stated that Greenville County was being requested for \$6,915 per year along with all other localities. He stated that Staff did not know where the rainfall gages were going to be located and if it would do Greenville County any good. He then requested that the matter be deferred until the next meeting until further information was received.

Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to defer the request until the next meeting. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

In Re: I-95 Tolling Project

Mr. Whittington stated that he had talked to Mr. Estes with VDOT and that Mr. Estes would be at the Board of Supervisors Meeting on May 7, 2012, to give a report and thoughts regarding placing toll booths on I-95. He stated that Staff was requested to give VDOT some input by April 27th, which would be before the next meeting, as to the County's concerns. Mr. Whittington stated that the Planning Director, Lin Pope, had already provided a letter to Joe Vinsh, with the Crater Planning District Commission, as in turn passed it on to VDOT that the County wanted to make a direct submittal as well. He stated in the letter Lin set forth three concerns; Greenville County had numerous residents that commuted the short distance from North Carolina to the schools and the commuters would have to pay a significant amount of toll in a year's time, secondly,

several trucking firms in the area and with the introduction of toll booths on I-95 could have a detrimental economic impact on their business and thirdly, impacts to the secondary road system with citizens trying to avoid the payment of tolls. Mr. Whittington stated that those were the three primary concerns identified with VDOT in the past and asked the Board if there were other concerns that it wished Staff to report to VDOT in the letter back to them to be dated April 27th. The Board voiced the same concerns as Staff and Supervisor Ferguson noted that there were a lot of farmers that traveled the secondary roads and that farming was one of the big revenue sources for Greenville County. Mr. Whittington stated that Staff would add the concern to the list. Supervisor Lee also voiced her concern regarding commuters from North Carolina to Virginia to work and from Virginia to North Carolina to work paying a lot in toll costs. Supervisor Ferguson asked that the media get the information out to residents that Mr. Estes would be at the next meeting and that the citizens are present at the next meeting so that everyone would have a chance to voice their concerns.

In Re: Adjournment

There being no further business, Supervisor Ferguson moved, seconded by Supervisor Lee, to adjourn the meeting. Voting aye: Supervisors Ferguson, Lee, Vaughan and Chairman Wiley.

Peggy R. Wiley, Chairman

K. David Whittington, Clerk